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SOCIAL & PERSONAL Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir, and the Knesset clerk, Netanel Lorch, have received invitations to attend the opening session of the Parliament of Europe in Strasbourg in April 1980.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg met with French Ambassador Marc Bonneton yesterday at Burg's office in Jerusalem.

Lord Jenner of Leicester, president of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, celebrated his 87th birthday today (and met as reported yesterday).

Dr. Eilhu Richter, of the Department of Medical Ecology, at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, will speak on "Road crashes and an action plan for Rotary" at the Rotary meeting in the YMCA at 1 p.m. today.

Rav Aluf (Res.) Haim Laskov, the IDF ombudsman, will speak on problems of his work at the Haifa Rotary Club's weekly meeting at the Rot Hotel at 1 p.m. today.

ARRIVALS Jacques Torreyran, president, World Union of General Zionists, for meetings of Zionist General Council.

DEPARTURES Israel Olympic Committee heads, Yitzhak Osek and Yitzhak Caspi, to attend International Olympic Committee meeting in Puerto Rico.

HOME NEWS

UNIFIL officers in PLO pay, IDF charges

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — UNIFIL officers were bribed to help Palestinian terrorists in various ways, a senior IDF source told military correspondents here yesterday.

IDF, PLO in heavy artillery duel

Jerusalem Post Staff METULLA. — Palestinians and IDF gunners exchanged artillery fire in Upper Galilee yesterday. There was some property damage in Israel, and one person was slightly injured.

Ashdod V oil may be afflicted by too much salt water

By ALAN ELSNER and JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Jerusalem Post Reporters TEL AVIV. — Salt water seepage from the bore hole into the Ashdod V oil tank may make the field commercially unfeasible.

Sheli components become single party

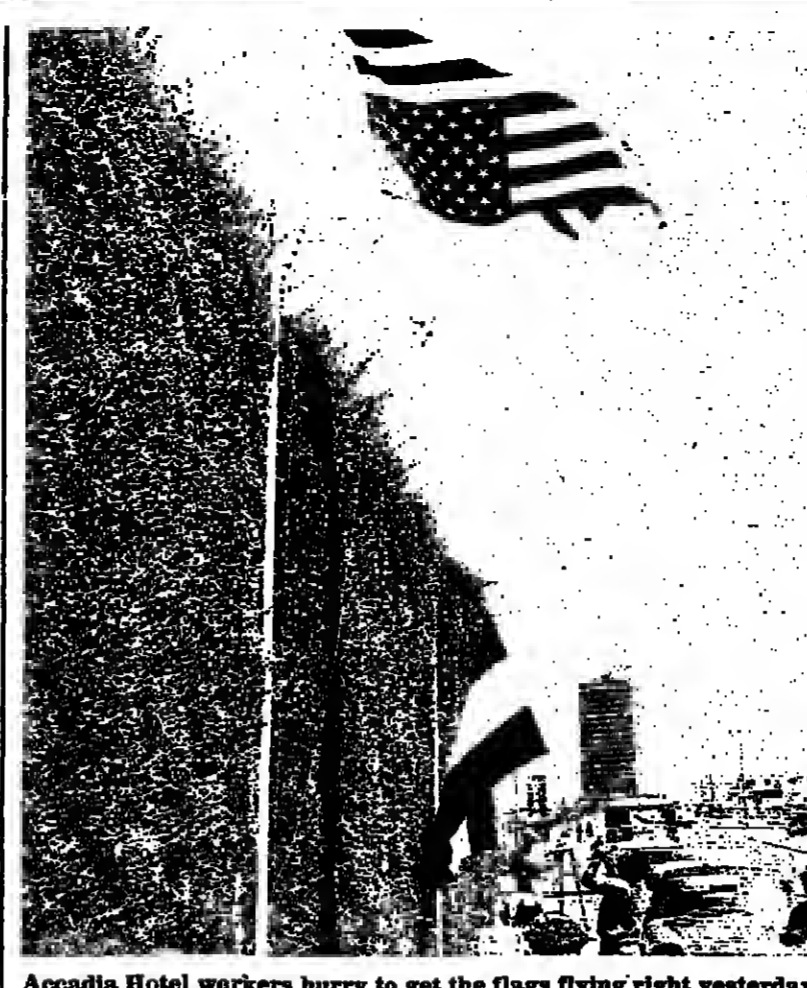
By MARK SEGAL Post Political Correspondent TEL AVIV. — The Sheli electoral bloc yesterday announced that its component groups were merging into a single party, and set a September convention date.

30%-40% decline in IDF fatalities

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Chief of Staff Rav Aluf Raphael Eitan's measures to improve discipline led to a 30 to 40 per cent decline in fatal casualties in 1978/9, a senior IDF source told military correspondents here yesterday.

No child payments for those who don't file tax returns

Post Economic Reporter Child allowance payments will be cut off to all those failing to file an income tax return, following a decision taken yesterday by the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee.



Accadia Hotel workers hurry to get the flags flying right yesterday in Herzliya before the delegations arrive for autonomy negotiations.

AUTONOMY TALKS AGENDA

(Continued from page 1) round of autonomy negotiations passed almost unnoticed in this seaside resort town. At about 9 a.m., Accadia Hotel staff raised Israeli, Egyptian and American flags outside the entrance.

Egyptian journalists visit Ben-Gurion's grave, B'sheba

By HARRY WALL Jerusalem Post Reporter SDE BOKER. — Twenty Egyptian journalists stood in the broiling sun yesterday and paid their respects to the late Premier David Ben-Gurion.

Gov't to present case for Eilon Moreh

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The government will present today to the high court of justice Chief of Staff Rav Aluf Raphael Eitan's statement that occupation of the Eilon Moreh hill is important for Israel's security.

Knesset House C'tee hears Zamir list Flatto charges

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir said yesterday that he would order an inquiry into any political party, if substantiated bribe charges were lodged against it.

U.S. PUBLIC

(Continued from page 1) "The whole timing and manner of establishing settlements may be the subject of debate, as it is in Israel," he said, "but we deplore the efforts of the Carter administration to describe them as illegal. This is a very debatable issue of law."

Hebron city hall 'closed' to prevent public meeting

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter Security forces yesterday prevented a public meeting from taking place in the Hebron municipality building. The gathering was called by Mayor Fahd Kawasma to discuss the continuing presence of Kiryat Arba women in the town's Hadassah building and other areas of dispute.

Restrictions lifted on Bir Zeit stores

Jerusalem Post Reporter The West Bank military government yesterday agreed to permit the reopening of a number of shops in Bir Zeit that were closed last month after a spate of stone throwing on Israeli vehicles in the area.

Jerusalem youth counsellors protest 'police brutality'

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter Some 100 municipal youth counsellors met in Jerusalem yesterday to protest "police brutality" against Benjamin Shitrit, who was injured when he jumped from a third floor balcony after claiming he was taunted by police.

Reserve call-up exercise planned

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The IDF will hold a publicly affecting exercise of reservists shortly, affecting several thousand people, the army spokesman announced yesterday.

HEBRU HATZOHAR World Executive The unveiling of the tombstone of our dear friend SHLOMO PERLA (of Warsaw and Toronto) Revisionist Activist in Poland Prisoner of Zion General Secretary of Hertz Hatzohar in Canada will take place on Friday, June 22, 1979, on Har Hanehuhot in Jerusalem.

Hadassah Medical Organization and the Medical Staff of The Hadassah-University Medical Centre The Sharrett Institute of Oncology express deepest sympathy to the family, on the thirtieth day after the passing of Prof. AVRAHAM HOCHMAN first head of the Department of Oncology.

We extend sincere condolences to our good friend AVRAHAM MIONI on the death of his FATHER. Shiva at 628/13 Kiryat Josephat, Nahariya.

We announce with sorrow the death in Johannesburg of MARGARET CUMES (nee Edelman) who passed away courageously and peacefully. Thelma WAINER and Jack ZIVE and families.

Wingate Physical Education and Sports Institute Ministry of Education and Culture Sports and Physical Education Authority Nat Holman Trainers and Counsellors School Registration has begun for 1979/80 one-year Trainers' Courses in the following sports: Basketball, Handball, Volleyball, Football (Soccer), Physical Fitness, Adult Gymnastics, Boys' Gymnastics, Tennis, Swimming.

Housing problems will hurt aliya, say Russians

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Eight former Prisoners of Zion yesterday warned that unless immediate and serious measures are taken to alleviate Israel's housing problem, aliya will continue to be minimal and the dropout rate of Russian Jewish emigrants will continue to climb.

A budget totalling IL1.32b. — two-fifths of it for aliya and absorption — was tabled yesterday by WZO treasurer Akiva Lewinsky. (The Jewish Agency budget is many times larger, and will be proposed at the agency assembly meetings next week.)

Police investigating forged Soviet immigrants' documents

By YORAM BAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Hundreds of documents presented by new immigrants from the Soviet Union to universities, hospitals, the Ministry of Interior and other institutions in Israel will be checked to determine whether they are forgeries, a senior police source told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

Sephardim protest 'biased' TV show

By MICHAEL JUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Leaders of the Zionist Movement for Equality (ZALASH) said on Monday they would go to any extremes to prevent the broadcast of the television series on Zionism, even if it takes mobilising two million Oriental Jews to stop the broadcast.

Sex education symposium to open

By MICHAEL JUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Sex education in Israel is far behind most enlightened western countries, and only 25 per cent of the country's schools make use of the Education Ministry's recommended sex education programme, according to Dr. Emanuel Chiegor, chairman of the Israel Society for Sexual Education.

Hand grenade thrown at Judean settlement

GUSH ETZION (Hm). — A hand grenade exploded at the entrance to the Eliezer settlement on the Bethlehem-Hebron road in Judea early yesterday morning, after it was thrown at gate guards from a passing car. There were no injuries or damage.

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Israeli Women for Ida Nudel meet with Ahiza Begin at the prime minister's residence yesterday to announce the proclamation of tomorrow as "International Ida Nudel Day."

'Ida Nudel Day' to be observed

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Two nuns from Philadelphia have offered to move to Siberia to take care of Prisoner of Zion Ida Nudel, who is serving a four-year sentence of internal exile because of her struggle to come on aliya.

IL1m. fine for late payment of VAT

A Jerusalem construction firm was fined IL1m. yesterday for tardiness in submitting Value Added Tax reports. It was the highest ever VAT-connected fine.

New compromise on health insurance law

The Health Ministry has agreed to a new compromise on the National Health Insurance Law whereby the sick funds would get more independence than originally envisaged.

Bulgarian Communist delegation on visit

TEL AVIV. — A top-level Bulgarian Communist delegation is visiting Israel as the guests of Rakah, Rakah spokesman Uri Burshtein announced on Monday.

BEACHES IN THE NORTH

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told, especially for their early morning ablutions.
Lehaviv, free (IL40 parking), clean, no tar, small changing rooms, no clothing deposit, large shaded area, no chairs, kiosk with eating area.

United Israel Appeal board to meet Friday
Jerusalem Post Staff
The new 18-member world board of trustees of the United Israel Appeal-Keren Hayesod will hold its inaugural session on Friday.

Compulsory vehicle insurance will rise 29.8 per cent

By SHELOMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter
Compulsory insurance rates for motor vehicles will be raised by 29.8 per cent, beginning July 1. The increase was calculated by the Treasury, according to the existing law governing car insurance.

Welfare rolls down by 33% since 1976

By SHELOMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter
The 14,165 welfare payment recipients in April of this year represented a drop of 33 per cent since 1976, Labour and Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz yesterday told the Knesset Finance Committee.

Haifa firms fined for expired licences

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Thirty restaurants, garages and workshops here, which remained in business despite municipality refusal to renew their licences, have been brought before the Haifa District Court during the past six weeks.

DELEK advertisement featuring a silhouette of a person holding a large key with the word 'delek' on it. Text: "DELEK" INTRODUCES A NEW STATION ON THE MAP. On Derech Lod, next to Tzomet Mesubim, a new "DELEK" station has been opened - "TZOMET MESUBIM".

Relax over coffee & cake lounge. Jerusalem Hilton.

Iran's top ayatollahs meet on constitution

TEHERAN. — Iran's four most senior spiritual leaders were scheduled to meet last night around the clock of an aged cleric...

referendum later this year. Shariatmadari said earlier this month that he would boycott the referendum unless a constituent assembly was formed...

Saudi oil head warns of giant crisis by 1988

LONDON (Reuter). — Saudi Arabia's oil minister, Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, yesterday warned that the world would face an oil crisis of unprecedented magnitude by 1988 if demand continued at the present rate...



Landing gear of a West German Air Force Phantom jet lies in the burning debris of a farmhouse into which the fighter crashed on Monday...

'No more deposits with Canada,' says Arab bank

BAHRAIN (Reuter). — The Arab Monetary Fund stopped all financial dealings with Canada yesterday in the first Arab economic protest against the new Canadian government's plans to move its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem...

Nine Arab countries warned Canadian Prime Minister Joe Clark's new Conservative government earlier this month against implementing his election pledge to move the Canadian embassy to Jerusalem...

North Africans beaten up in French racial violence

PARIS (UPI). — A number of attempted murders of North Africans rekindled latent racial tensions in France yesterday, threatening efforts to admit larger numbers of Indochinese refugees into the country...

France to get more Algerian oil. The French cabinet last week decided to cut drastically the number of foreign residents by making it more difficult to get a working permit and by refusing to renew resident permits for some of the 4.5 million foreigners already in France...

Killing, bomb blitz mark IRA's 'spring offensive'

BELFAST (AP). — Guerrillas yesterday killed an off-duty soldier of the Ulster Defence Regiment in Omagh, 80 kms west of here. At least three persons were wounded in a province-wide bomb blitz, police reported...

Catholic Irish Republic. The UDR, which is 98 per cent Protestant, has long been a major target for IRA guerrillas. Yesterday's slaying raised the known death toll from nearly a decade of sectarian bloodshed and IRA insurrection to at least 1,922 — 42 of them this year...

Rhodesian PM parleys with South Africans

SALISBURY (AP). — Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa last week held his first official talks outside Zimbabwe-Rhodesia, with South African Prime Minister Pieter Botha, it was confirmed here yesterday...

Peking pleads for lawyers

PEKING (UPI). — China needs lawyers to represent foreigners and Chinese in court because of increased overseas contacts and improved civil rights for its people, the Chinese Communist Party newspaper "People's Daily" said yesterday...

"With the rapid development of foreign trade and coast shipping, China urgently needs lawyers to plead in court in lawsuits involving foreigners, as are bound to happen," the article said...

Viljoen new president of South Africa

CAPE TOWN (Reuter). — Marais Viljoen, a long-time stalwart of the ruling National Party, was inaugurated yesterday as South Africa's fifth president. He succeeded John Vorster, who resigned two weeks ago over the information "alush fund" scandal...

An electoral college composed of both houses of Parliament. His nearest opponent, Sir de Villiers Graaff, former leader of the opposition and candidate of the New Republic Party, had 23 votes and Prof. Guerin Bozzoli, backed by the Progressive Federal Party, received 17...

Heat wave hits Greece, Turkey

ATHENS. — At least 13 persons died, and hundreds were hospitalized during a 48-hour heat wave when temperatures hit 40 degrees centigrade throughout the country, police said yesterday. The unusually high temperatures caused the spate of deaths, mainly from heart attacks...

Western journalists reject UNESCO 'protection' proposal

ATHENS (AP). — Western press representatives yesterday unanimously rejected a "protection of journalists" proposal by the chairman of UNESCO's international commission for the study of communications problems, calling it a thinly veiled mechanism for controlling the world press...

television and news agencies would "if adhering to a code of conduct including morale and social awareness" be given identification which would seek to protect them from physical harm, incarceration or interference from the various governments of the world community...

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Advertisement for 13 million Italians stage half-day strike, mentioning the Russian aircraft carrier Minsk passing through the Singapore Straits.

Advertisement for SINAI TOURS, offering 5 Day Camping Tours to Sinai with weekly departures from June 24.

Panamanians rampage in capital

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP). — National Guard troops quelled anti-government riots with tear gas on Monday after one man was reported beaten to death and another seriously injured...

deaths a year ago. Officials said a bus driver was pushed from a government bus and stoned and beaten to death and his bus set afire...

Gandhi party scores victory

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Former Indian Premier Indira Gandhi's party yesterday scored a by-election triumph in a seat that Gandhi herself had intended to fight...

The rift is between Gandhi and one of her former supporters, Karnataka Chief Minister Devraj Urs. Prominent party members said Urs fell out with Gandhi because he had opposed her son's attempted return to politics...

Bonn foreign minister meets Gaddafi in Libya

TRIPOLI (AP). — West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher yesterday met with Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi for a discussion on international and bilateral affairs...

Monday night and told Libya's Jana News Agency that his government is eager to strengthen political and economic ties with Libya...

Advertisement for TADMOR JERUSALEM HOTEL, featuring a chef character and information about international diners and special Austro-Hungarian style dinners.

Advertisement for THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM, announcing the conferment of an honorary fellowship upon Dr. CARL HERMANN VOSS.

Large advertisement for LOOK magazine, featuring the title 'LOOK AT IT THIS WAY' and details about subscription rates and delivery.

GREAT LEAP—INTO DEBT

CHINA FACES an economic crisis, with a government deficit of more than \$4 billion...

By JAY MATHEWS/Hongkong



Chinese workers...lavish bonuses and rewards.

Analysts in Hongkong say they consider the statistics in the speech, reported in the independent Hongkong newspaper "Ming Pao," authentic...

China's economic problems "cannot be repaired in a short time," the newspaper's Chinese Vice-Premier Li Hsien-Nien says...

The speech indicated that China would have to continue to rely on large imports of grain, much of which has come recently from the U.S. It would also have to delay some ambitious industrial projects...

Li reportedly said some government departments would have to cut their spending by one-third, and more money would be used to increase farm production.

These payments included lavish bonuses and rewards to workers, which recent press reports say went to too many people. They also included a 1977 wage increase for about 80 per cent of workers and staff...

THE HONGKONG newspaper quoted Li telling the conference: "China is facing an economic crisis... food grain is so insufficient that 100 million people in the country have not got enough food."

if the 20 million unemployment figure referred to only urban areas, with a total population of about 200 million, or to agricultural areas also, with another 200 million people...

In the past, Chinese officials have not appeared to calculate unemployment in the countryside, since most people receive harvest shares...

A deficit of \$8 billion, and unemployment of 20 million, compared to other nations with only a fraction of China's population, does not appear large...

A recent analysis of the economy by foreign experts in Hongkong says grain harvests and total agricultural production improved last year...

The figures are based on partial Chinese statistics and conversations with Chinese officials, say total food production dropped 1.5 per cent in 1978...

The New China News Agency reported last week that peasant income, not counting private plots, rose 13 per cent in 1978. Analysts said the report seemed designed to bolster the view of Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-Ping...

POPE JOHN PAUL II's nine-day crusade, through his home country, Poland, has ended without incident. And yet something has been changed in Eastern Europe...

The Pope's message

By SUE MASTERMAN and ANTON KOENE/Krakow

taken place. There was nothing that the Polish authorities, who refused several of these people passports to attend the Pope's inauguration, could do to stop him.

choose and decide." This was the message the Pope gave to his people on the last day of his visit. He did not say a word that could be interpreted as inciting the people to rebel against the regime...

HIS DEPARTURE from Poland was the end of a glorious crusade, but for Pope John Paul there was an overwhelming note of sadness. He knows that it is unlikely that he will

ever visit his home country again, unless he is the first Pope to voluntarily resign from office when he reaches old age.

He went to the cemetery where his father, mother and brother are buried in the knowledge that his final resting place will not be there, in the green foothills of the Carpathian Mountains...

In nine days the Pope did more for the enlightenment of human beings in Eastern Europe than the Helsinki and Belgrade conferences together. He has made the people believe that there is hope that they will, in the foreseeable future, be free to speak their minds...

The Pope is aware of the force that he has unleashed. It is to be hoped that the revolutionary change of attitude that will be his consequence will be achieved without bloodshed or political martyrdom.

Jerusalem Proms '79. Sixth evening, Thursday, 21.6.79, Jerusalem Theatre. "Art in the Kibbutz" 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium...

Rugs to riches. By THOMAS KENT/Teheran. IRAN'S UNSINKABLE Persian carpet merchants have emerged still prosperous from the Islamic revolution...

THE LEADERS of the seven biggest industrial nations in the West are not really meeting in Tokyo next week to co-ordinate economic policies and growth rates...

Japanese facing squeeze

By GWYNNE DYER London



Masayoshi Ohira (Japan)

The real reason for the two-day Tokyo summit starting on Tuesday is that nobody could think of a plausible excuse for avoiding it.

These economic summits have become annual events since the advent of the first oil crisis in 1973-74. At first, there was much hope that the leaders of the U.S., Canada, Britain, France, West Germany, Italy and Japan...

Few Western leaders are truly in control even of their own home economies. None of the "targets" for economic growth that were ritually adopted at successive summits has ever been met...

EVERYBODY in Tokyo knows that nothing can be done about oil prices and supplies until American imports are cut back, but that President Jimmy Carter has no more real control over the actions of U.S. congressmen...

Selling Western imports on the Japanese mass market, therefore, is like trying to sell caviar to cannibals. As a result, the U.S. trade deficit with Japan last year was \$2.1 billion...

The European Economic Community, whose own trade deficit with Japan last year was \$5.4 billion, is also moving from plea to threats. A Common Market Commission report which was deliberately leaked to the press in March last year...

When Japanese Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira visited the U.S. in early May, he was subjected to pressures verging on blackmail, including a quickly denied press report that President Carter would boycott the summit unless Japan moved fast to reduce its huge trade surplus with the U.S.

Japan's frantic export drive is understandable, for the crowded Japanese islands must import all their energy and almost all of their industrial raw materials. But what has increasingly embittered the Japanese is not quickly remedied, Western retaliation against Japan's exports could trigger off an international trade war.

Bon Voyage to Passengers on the Maiden Flight to Spain on June 20, 1979. By Charter to Spain a real vacation with M.P.T. Melia. M.P.T. Melia charter flights to Spain — the complete vacation: Alternative Programme: 14 nights vacation on the Costa del Sol...

THE ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA. NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS TO SERIES 2 IN HAIFA. To accommodate those who wish to watch tonight's basketball game between Israel and the U.S.S.R. TONIGHT'S CONCERT WILL START AT 7.15 p.m.

THE ZAMIR CHORALE IN CONCERT. TAMMI KLEINBAUS, conductor. TONIGHT — Wednesday, June 20, 1979. 8.30 p.m. Jerusalem Khan. Tickets available at the box office.

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MASSUA in memory of the Zionist Youth Movements in the Holocaust and Uprising. announces the establishment of a Prize to be Awarded in Memory of the late SALOMON and RELLA GUTTMAN. The prize will be awarded for a work of sculpture, painting, literature and/or research on The Holocaust and Uprising. Members of the Jury: Gideon Hausner MK., Moshe Kol, Nathan Rappaport, Elie Wiesel, Prof. Zvi Yavots, representatives of the Guttman, Herzberg and Guttman Families. Last date for submission: August 31, 1979. Inquiries to Menachem Wirth, Masenu, Kibbutz Tel Yitzhak, Tel. 03-287173.

ISRAEL - SOVIET SHOWDOWN

(Continued from page 1)

watch the Soviets edge a disappointing Italy, 90-74.

Last night, a less tense Israeli team, tired from a day off for sightseeing and shopping, as well as practicing Yugoslavians and Czechoslovaks square off for the third and fourth places in the tournament, herths that Israel had only a few days ago considered beyond its reach.

Impressing the professionals attending the competition has been, more than anything else, Israel's reliance on "basic basketball" to win their games.

"We played basketball the way it is supposed to be played," said Kaplan. "We ran, we shot, we passed, and we didn't rely on height, or rough stuff, to get where we got to."

But Kaplan admits tonight's game is not going to be easy. The tallest player on Israel's team is 40 kg. lighter and three centimetres shorter than the biggest Soviet player.

And to make use of Israel's talents while hitting at the Russians' Achilles heel, a fast-paced running game is to be expected.

"We've got to get them to make mistakes," Kaplan said, explaining Israel's strategy. "In a running game, the speed and control is on our side. The chances for a mistake are on their side, if they feel they are losing control."

While Klein is not expected to name his starting five until moments before the game, the backcourt is expected to be led up by Israel's tallest player, Eric Menkin, accompanied by fellow new immigrant Lou Silver.

Filling in the backcourt will be Mickey Berkowitz, Israel's quick, 25-year-old star, whose impressive hand handling and shooting so impressed Atlanta Hawks coach Hubie Brown that the U.S. pro coach met with Berkowitz to discuss a tryout for the Sabra.

Outfront, Boaz Yannai, or Kaplan, will play alongside graceful playmaker Barry Leibowitz or kibbutznik Moti Aroesti, to make up the first five.

Berkowitz' crucial performance may be hampered a bit by an ankle injured during the previous match against the Russians. But Kaplan

said last night that during a "hard hour of practice" Berkowitz said his ankle should not be a problem.

Klein has been rumored to be considering an offer to coach a West German team this year, but the veteran Israel basketball player nevertheless plans to continue coaching the national all-stars.

The team is due to play again in Geneva next May as part of the preliminary games leading up to the Olympics. "It's still not certain we'll make it to the Olympics," Kaplan said.

But after this week's heavy victories, including a guaranteed second spot in the European standings, few basketball fans anywhere in Israel or Europe, will be surprised if Israel sends a team to Moscow in 1980.

In an expression of confidence in the local team, three chartered flights from Israel were slated to take off this morning for Turin to join the hundreds of Israelis already in the northern Italian town.

Educational Minister Zevulun Hammer, who is currently in Europe, has also juggled his schedule to allow him to attend the games tonight, which will be televised locally starting at 9 p.m.

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Traditional cricket home braces for 'noise' from fans of Pakistan, W. Indies cup match

LONDON (Reuter). — London's Kennington Oval, a symbol of the quiet dignity of cricket to many traditional followers of the game, will be filled with cheering and chanting today when the West Indies and Pakistan meet in the semi-finals of the World Cricket Cup.

A capacity crowd of 18,000, drawn largely from London's West Indian and Pakistani populations, are bound to give their teams a noisy reception as they battle for a place in the final against the winners of the other semi-final between England and New Zealand.

Viewers here have already voiced fears about crowd disruption at the match and West Indies captain Clive Lloyd has offered to broadcast a pre-match appeal for fans to behave.

In the group B deciding match on Saturday at Headingley, Leeds, when England narrowly beat Pakistan, bottles were thrown and fighting broke out in the crowd. Oval officials are taking steps to prevent trouble at today's game.

The West Indies are strong favorites to go forward to the final of this one-day, 60-over competition.

Borg faces tough Wimbledon lineup

LONDON (Reuter). — Sweden's Bjorn Borg, Wimbledon champion for the last three years, faces a tough first-round match against experienced American Tom Gorman when the championships begin here next Monday.

Gorman's tennis career has been plagued by injury, but he can be a handful for anyone at the beginning of a tournament and Borg is always at his most vulnerable early on.

The championship draw was made yesterday and if it goes according to plan Borg will meet third seed Jimmy Connors of the U.S. in the semifinals — a repeat of last year's final.

Connors arrived here today, ending speculation that he would miss Wimbledon because his wife Patti is expecting a baby.

"I have always intended playing and I am determined to win. Patti is doing fine and there are no problems," Connors said.

Borg, 23 earlier this month, always likes to try himself out in Wimbledon and last year his approach almost cost him a third title. He met giant (2

metre) American Victor Amaya in the opening round and lost two sets before winning in five. He then dropped only one more set in the tournament.

He should certainly have less of a struggle against Gorman, whose greatest Wimbledon moment was in 1971 when he upset Australian four-time champion Rod Laver in straight sets in the quarter-finals.

The Swede will not be able to relax at that point. His second round opponent will be either Mark Edmondson, who took him to five sets in the second round two years ago, or Vijay Amritraj, the top Indian player.

In round three, he could meet either of two hard-bitting Americans, Hank Pfister or the rapidly improving Peter Fleming.

The first seed he will face in the American Brian Gottfried, the number nine, and his projected quarter-final opponent is sixth-seeded Argentine Guillermo Vilas, who has a notoriously unsuccessful career record against Borg.

JERUSALEM MUSEUMS

Leningrad Museum. Exhibitions: Pease Polished by Egyptian Children. Young People's Exhibition. Exhibitions: Art of the Sixties - European and American. New Acquisitions. 20th Century Painting, sculpture, drawing. Israel Photography. Work by pupils of the Museum workshop.

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Technion head decries state of technology

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — A very sombre picture of Israel's technological future, which must light the red light in the highest quarters, was drawn by Technion President Amos Horev and his deputies yesterday.

he stressed, but the right candidates were not coming. His deputy for academic affairs, Professor Ya'acov Ziv, noted that as a result of the high school reform the number of pupils taking physics for their matriculation examinations had declined to only 7 per cent, and he feared that the study of mathematics would also decline.

Furthermore there was still no national planning of future manpower requirements so that the Technion was forced to make its own plans, without any indications from the government on future development trends.

Vice President for Development, Professor Paul Singer, said that 40 of the 511 junior lecturers' jobs could not be filled because wages were better in the private market.

Engineers charge major defects in nation's industrial planning

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The head of one of the country's two engineers' organizations on Monday charged that there were major defects in the nation's planning, in such areas as providing manpower, planning in the building trades and defining the country's energy needs.

He listed some of the areas in which planning was either defective or non-existent:
• The country's industrial development, especially providing sufficient quantities of trained manpower.

Wedding costs soar upwards but mama wants a big splash



A romantic photographic tour such as this, to the Charles Clore Park on the Tel Aviv waterfront, can push the cost of wedding pictures up to IL11,000.

By DIANA LERNER
THE YOUNG couple in identical T-shirts and jeans stood before one of two sets of parents and pleaded: "We don't mind getting married dressed just the way we are, at the Rabbinate — we'd rather save the money to take a trip abroad."

A Tel Aviv couple paid almost IL300,000 for a hotel wedding in a more elaborate style, and the Hassidic parents of Bnei Brak whose guests danced in the suburb's streets after refreshments from fully laden tables in a synagogue at almost the cost of a modest hall, paid as much for the bridal clothes, music, photography, flowers, and extras.

little money to contribute to the family *styncho* and whose brothers also helped insure that she would not be outdone by others in her rejoicing, rented a modest hall in Rehovot for IL55,000 that included the ceremony, the provincial quarter chicken, side dishes, drinks, music and flowers at the table.

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Unbelievable? Let us take a few figures. At a sit-down wedding, the meal ranges in cost from IL120 a head in a modest hall to IL400 in a fancy locale. But that is only the beginning. Here are some of the other expenses:

They rationalize their expenditure thus: The IL60,000 to IL100,000 (for 300 guests) which will be spent on the average for a reasonable, middle class and not even extravagant wedding in today's market is still not enough to buy even a fraction of an apartment, and the couple's trip abroad will not add an ounce of happiness to anyone but themselves.

For about IL4,000, three albums of six poses may be had, each taken partly at the photographer's studio and partly at the wedding. A photographer who follows the couple around to some favourite spots which serve as a background for wedding pictures, such as the Tel Aviv Museum, Hilton Hotel garden, Hayarkon beachfront, Kikar Atarim, Plaza Hotel, or in front of Ely Gera's gallery in Jaffa, may charge up to IL1,000.

A chauffeur-driven fancy automobile to and from the ceremony is another huge expense, depending on the car's model and how long it takes.

Renting a wedding gown runs the bride anywhere from IL1,500 to IL3,000. If the dress has been worn before and dry cleaned, it costs a thousand pounds less. Buying a new gown comes to IL3,000 plus.

Going to the bridal salon for hair-do, makeup and getting dressed for the ceremony comes to another cool thousand or more. But cosmetics expert Klara Lowy, who makes up brides at Salon Bella on Rehov Hidesohn, says that no bride or

member of her party would forgo the ceremony or balk at the outlay for full treatments they do not allow themselves at other times. The bride and her mother may pay over IL2,000 for treatment and creams. Lowy, deplores inconsiderate wedding guests who mess up her work with all the kissing and hugging.

The honeymoon, too, has gone up to over IL3,000 for several days in Safad or Nahariya, more than IL6,000 for a trip to Rhodes. Arkia's package deal for honeymooners (to rise by 25% in September) is still considered among the best buys. It includes a half-price flight, hotel and self-drive car to Eilat, Di Zahab or Sharm e-Sheikh for IL3,000 to IL10,000 for three or four days.

Why doesn't the couple just go to the Rabbinate and rent a hall for two or three hours and even get hors d'oeuvres for IL40 to IL75 a portion, including soft drinks?

Why not indeed, the Rabbinate spokesman asks? Three halls at the Tel Aviv Rabbinate accommodate up to 600 persons and are in constant use, but such modest weddings are popular mainly among couples not in their first bloom of youth, or where one or both are tying the knot for a second time. And often a ceremony there is only a prelude to an elaborate reception elsewhere.

Is the big wedding part of Jewish tradition? Rabbi Yehudah Landau, head of the Tel Aviv Rabbinate's Marriage Department asserts it is a mitzva to feast and rejoice. But glut-tony, waste, conspicuous consumption and over-indulgence — have always been condemned since the days of the prophets. In modern Jewish history, rabbis had real authority over the East European Jewish community, but while they issued warnings against over-indulgence, they were reluctant to make it a transgression of the law, knowing full well that it would only lead to being ignored.

Certainly, the extravaganzas at bar mitzva ceremonies and weddings are not in keeping with halachic precepts of modest living and the Jewish way of life, Rabbi Landau declares. Admonitions by the Kots and Gerer Rabbis, to fight inflation by restraint in spending is falling on deaf ears for the most part, despite proclamations calling for curbs on lavish extravaganzas that are now appearing in Bnei Brak and Tel Aviv.

As elsewhere in the Jewish world, the Israeli wedding remains a grand affair.

Japanese scholar feted for aiding Israel tourism

By KINUR WEINSTEIN Jerusalem Post Reporter
Rev. Kaichi Baba, a well known Japanese Bible scholar and a frequent traveller to the Holy Land, was awarded the Shalom medal by the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism for having encouraged hundreds of Japanese to make pilgrimages to Israel.

Rev. Baba, 67 years old, is currently paying his 20th visit to the Land of the Bible, which he first visited in 1928. That journey began from Los Angeles, where he spent three years as a minister of the Japan Christian Church. After arriving in Europe, he joined a crusader tour in Naples and sailed to Beirut via the Greek islands. From Beirut he travelled by train to Damascus and then continued to Tiberias. After visiting Nazareth, Rev. Baba followed the footsteps of Jesus to Jerusalem. There he stayed at the Grand Hotel in the Old City, at the time one of the city's fancier hotels.

He was not able to return to Israel until 1964 and since then has been coming almost annually. With the passing of time he has, of course, witnessed many changes. Even nature has significantly altered its face. Although on the whole the land is much more developed, he said, trees have died at a number of holy sites.

Rev. Baba's interest in the Bible led him to translate it into Japanese from English after studying basic Hebrew, Latin and Greek with a private tutor in Japan. His translation was published in five volumes shortly after his first trip to the Holy Land and was the first full translation of the Bible into Japanese. The edition sold poorly however.

The main reason for this was the opposition of the Japanese regime which at the time sought to encourage development in the sciences to catch up with Western technology. The fundamentalism of the Bible, it was feared, as well as that of the Free Methodist movement to which Rev. Baba belonged, were likely to impede the process of modernization.

Opposition to Christianity was not limited merely to discouragement of the sale of the Bible. When a number of Japanese Christian sects organized, its message of universalism was seen as a direct threat to the expansionist designs of Japanese militarism. Accordingly, members of the two sects — enough to serve as a warning but not enough to arouse protest movement — were arrested and some of them, including Rev. Baba's friends, died in prison.

The second work of Rev. Baba's, the New Standard Bible Dictionary, has been more successful. It is still in print and is regularly consulted by Bible students. In addition, in the past decade and a half he has published more than ten books about the Bible and the Holy Land.

They are widely read among students and the Japanese public as well as among the 300,000 members of the Japan Christian Church. Rev. Baba's scholarly achievements are all the more impressive given the fact that he is self-educated.

The energetic 67-year-old is able to follow a new itinerary and see the country from a different angle on each visit. On this trip Rev. Baba and his six companions, all of whom have been here at least three times, will get a new perspective by crisscrossing the north of Israel in a chartered plane.

IL2b. from insurance firms freed for investment

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Life insurance companies will soon be able to invest fifteen per cent of their funds — approximately IL2b. — in non-government projects, Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich yesterday told the annual general meeting of the Association of Life Insurance Companies, meeting at the Hilton Hotel. Until now, the companies could only invest in linked government bonds, or the electric corporation.

But Avraham Taiber, chairman of the Association, noted that the finance ministry has still to draw up guidelines indicating where they could invest this sum, approximately 15 per cent of the total of IL3.5b. they have available for investment purposes.

Turning to other matters, Ehrlich said he hoped to soon issue unlinked government bonds.

"This is our dream," he said, adding that "we still must differentiate between those companies and schemes which need linked bonds for their long-term investments, such as

insurance companies, and those who use short-term linked bonds for speculative purposes."

As for inflation, he said that the government would continue to fight it vigorously, although "never to take such extreme measures as causing unemployment, or reducing the profitability of exports, slowing down economic growth, worsening the adverse balance of payments or reducing 'real wages'."

Earlier Taiber questioned the Finance Ministry's policy of borrowing money from the banks at seven per cent linked interest when the life insurance companies were willing to lend the government this money at 5.2 per cent linked interest.

"The chairman of Bank Leumi (Eli Zaphet) has special persuasive powers," Taiber said. (Ehrlich did not react.)

Taiber pointed out that the life insurance companies (unlike those who deal in elementary insurance, such as covering the costs of fire, car damage and burglaries) had a good year in 1978.

TRAVEL TRENDS

By BARUCH SAVILLE

DIRECT CHARTER flights, linking Israel and Spain, by air, for the first time, commence on June 20, operated by Mella with EL AL Charter Services. The charters, to Malaga, depart every two weeks.

AUSTRIAN AIRLINES, transported 1.24 million passengers on scheduled flights and an additional 376,745 on its charters in 1978.

BRITISH AIRWAYS has increased its seat capacity on its London-Tel Aviv route this summer, by 74%.

U.K. visitors to Israel tend to prefer the convenient BA departure times rather than those of El Al which leave at night arriving at Ben-Gurion in the early hours. Last year, BA carried over 17 million passengers.

ALITALIA'S SWITCH of its departure times from Ben-Gurion Airport to Rome, daily at 14.30 hours, is proving most popular. On Wednesdays, a special early morning flight is operated in place of the afternoon departure.

OPERATION of the scheduled route flights between Israel and Egypt continues to be undecided. While national airlines of both countries may not commence flights for some 7 to 8 months, foreign airlines are hedging over a decision. With TWA opting out, the choice presently lies between Lufthansa and EL AL.

SWISSAIR HAS confirmed its order for ten A310 Airbus aircraft with an option for an additional ten. The aircraft will go into service on the airline's European and Mediterranean routes, the first most probably entered on the Zurich-Tel Aviv route.

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Salt water in well corrodes oil speculation

Reliable oil industry sources have revealed that salt water is seeping into the Ashdod V oil well, putting a damper on speculation for shares.

A broad front with gains of up to one per cent was visible yesterday throughout the various sectors. But trading turnovers were sharply lower at IL67.6m. for all bonds.

The share market, on the other hand, appears to have entered on a consolidation phase as prices were generally mixed. Here as well, the turnover was considerably down, early a third lower than two days ago.

Corporate news in connection with new corporate financing issues was in the forefront. Property and Building securities were not traded yesterday as the company announced that it intends to turn to the exchange to raise some IL80m. by way of a new share issue.

Dov Tadmor, P & B's managing director told The Jerusalem Post that the funds to be raised are intended for strengthening the company's capital base as well as for the expansion of present and future business activities.

In recent weeks, Property and Building has been a market favourite. Since the beginning of June they have risen by

Stocks & bonds—the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU, Post Finance Reporter

some 15 per cent. Tefahot, which has also seen a sharp rise in its shares, announced that it will shortly issue a IL200m. rights issue. The rights will entitle the shareholders to purchase new shares, convertible bonds and options. In an unusual step the management has clearly stated that the conversion prices for its securities will be under the market price.

In yesterday's trading, commercial banks were slightly higher. Leumi led the majors with a five point rise to 399. The initial demand for Leumi was in the order of IL7.4m. FIBI was also a five point winner. Hapoalim (B) rose by two, while the registered shares were one higher. The conventional one point differential in the price of these shares has now been restored.

Mizrachi continued to be strong and registered a two point gain, while DB, Union and General Bank were all one point higher. Mortgage Bank issues were barely changed. The big mover in the group was Agricultural Bank "A" shares as they shot ahead by 5.7 per cent.

Insurance shares moved lower with losses of up to four per cent visible. Land development and real estate shares were generally moderately higher. Pri Or gained 40 to 1070. Rasso Prof. rose by 10 to 329. Rumours are circulating to the effect that Rasso will return to profitability in the current year. However, similar rumours, in the past, have been unfounded.

Industrials were thoroughly mixed. Electric Wire and Cables (E), however, was dumped for a 1.8 per cent loss to 190. Tal moved sharply higher as its shares gained nearly 10 per cent.

Gains and losses, in most of the other shares in the group, were in the order of about two per cent. Investment company issues also turned in a mixed performance without any major price changes. Discount Bank investments announced that negotiations to sell Heberon Industries to Oz Investments were terminated.

Table of stock prices with columns for Closing price, Change, Volume, and various stock symbols like Petrochem, Mizrachi, etc.

Representative New York Stock Exchange

Closing prices - June 19

Table of representative New York Stock Exchange closing prices for various companies and indices.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Table of closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange for various stocks and bonds.

Table of most active shares on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

Bank of Israel representative foreign exchange rates—June 19

Table of foreign exchange rates for various currencies like U.S. dollar, British sterling, etc.

PROOF. — The Likud has accepted MK Meir Cohen's proposal that national insurance recipients be required to make biannual appearances at the banks at which they collect their cheques, to prove that they are in the country.

TURKEYS. — Some IL80m. has been invested in building an abattoir to slaughter turkeys for 40 kibbutzim and settlements in the Beit Shean and Jordan Valleys and Ramat Hagolan. The slaughter house will produce 10,000 tons of meat a year, most of which will be sold through Tnuva, but some of which will be exported.

Business briefs

DIAMONDS. — Exports of industrial diamonds by Dovrat Kibbutz should reach the \$250,000 mark this year, four times the amount of last year.

GUIDES. — Four guides should be allowed to receive a 10 per cent commission from showpersons, according to a recommendation made by MK Acafi Yaguri, chairman of the Knesset subcommittee supervising the guide industry.

NEGEV. — The Negev is rapidly turning into Israel's waste basket, and the pace will increase during the military redeployment there, unless a modicum of coordination is implemented, Dr. Uri Merinov, the head of the environmental quality department in the Interior Minister, said yesterday.

INTERNATIONAL LICENCE. — Transport Minister Haim Landau is seeking authorization from the Knesset to double the fee for an international drivers license from IL20 to IL40.

ICY CHICKEN. — MK Meir Cohen (Likud) has asked for a Knesset discussion of an apparent practice by frozen chicken salesmen to inject water into the birds before freezing in order to increase their weight.

Table of foreign currency exchange rates for various countries like U.S., Britain, France, etc.

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PERVERSIONS OF SENSIBLE POLICY

The government is out to slay the dragon of inflation, but it seems to be holding its lance back to front, writes Post Economic Editor MEIR MERHAV.

DEMOCRATIC governments are usually slow to act and rarely take audacious measures. That is why they often do the right thing at the wrong time, and do too little when they do the right thing at the right time. They do not, however, often seek the unique distinction of turning sensible measures into their direct opposite...

A MORE recent blunder was the decision to link development loans to the price index. When the manufacturers and other beneficiaries of such loans rose up in arms, in a solid wall, the Finance Minister braved in a hurry. The decision would be reconsidered—in the first version, after six months, in the second, after a year—if it should turn out that investments are cut back...

THE LATEST case in point is the much heralded slashing of customs duties, which came into effect on June 11. The original plan was to cut customs duties on a wide range of products, involving a revenue loss of IL2b. (The loss was estimated on the assumption that import demand is inelastic, i.e. that the lowering of customs will leave the volume of imports unchanged...)

Dry Bones



is probably right. The customs reduction is most likely to be pocketed by the importers. That would have been the case even if the original plan had stood. But it did not, for the valiant Gideon Patti, whose name crops up too frequently for comfort, once again rushed to abort the dykes of protection...

In order to protect domestic industry, the customs reductions on many final products were eliminated. The share of intermediate goods and raw materials in the programme rose in proportion. The further the customs reduction is removed from the final product, the allumer, of course, the chance that it will be passed on to the final consumer...

Let them walk

IT IS SAD to see a venerable institution, like the Egged bus cooperative, with its fine history of service to early Israel and the pre-State yishuv, in decline. It is enraging, however, to see injury inflicted on a defenseless bus-riding public, caught in the cross-fire of a sweltering Jerusalem hamsin and a wildcat Egged drivers' strike.

Squandering an asset

IN A LITTLE noticed sequel to the visit here last week of representatives of the American Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, the chairman of that body, Ted Mann, has now expressed his opposition to the government's policy of settling at Eilon Moreh.

READERS' LETTERS

JEWISH CONSCIOUSNESS IN RUSSIA
To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — While the debate continues and the dilemma grows, the number of dropouts grows in Vienna. It is indeed a bitter disappointment for those courageous activists who fought so hard for the right to emigrate to Israel...

SMALL LISTS

It seems to me that it would be better for the country if there were more members of the Knesset who stood for and by defensible principles and did not perpetually support compromise and "trade-offs" for the express purpose of maintaining the power of their group and their position on the list.

TOURIST COMPLAINTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Your article, "German envy urges better tourist hotels" (June 9) contains highly justified complaints and represents constructive criticism. It reflects the sad reality to which hotel managers and the Ministry of Tourism must give serious consideration...

POSTSCRIPTS

ACCORDING to Eckart Wiesenhueter and Marie-Luise Fuhrmeister, two researchers in Stuttgart, modern music frequently causes psychological and physical damage, ranging from nervousness, depression and headaches to ulcers and impotence.

special people, the Jews. God is on their side and He will have some very hard things to say eventually to those who are not. Now this is a fine kettle of fish! Before this, no organized ethnic group has had the plain guts to take on the political Zionists who just about control the news business and the television and radio networks.

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